

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 596

Introduced by Assembly Member Carter

February 16, 2011

An act to add Section 8359.2 to the Education Code, relating to child care.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 596, as introduced, Carter. Child care: CalWORKs recipients: rights.

Existing law states the intent of the Legislature to ensure that recipients of specified aid under the CalWORKs program, and former recipients who have left aid for employment, are connected as soon as possible to local child care resources, make stable child care arrangements, and continue to receive subsidized child care services after they no longer receive aid as long as they require those services and meet the eligibility requirements, as specified.

The bill would require the State Department of Education to collaborate with welfare rights and legal services advocates to develop and adopt regulations and other policy statements to provide CalWORKs recipients of child care the same level of due process and procedural protections as are afforded to public assistance recipients, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 8359.2 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:

1 8359.2. The State Department of Education shall collaborate
2 with welfare rights and legal services advocates to develop and
3 adopt regulations and other policy statements to provide
4 CalWORKs recipients of child care the same level of due process
5 protections and procedural protections that are afforded to public
6 assistance recipients pursuant to Chapter 7 (commencing with
7 Section 10950) of Part 2 of Division 9 of the Welfare and
8 Institutions Code, and the regulations adopted pursuant to that
9 chapter, and Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 11275) of
10 Chapter 2 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions
11 Code, and the regulations adopted pursuant to that article.

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